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ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR Commanders, All FORSCOM Troop Units

SUBJECT: Thanksgiving Holiday Message

- 1. First celebrated by the Pilgrims and formally proclaimed a holiday in 1863, the tradition of celebrating the harvest lives on today. Thanksgiving, marking the time of the harvest before the onset of winter, is also a time, when families reunite to enjoy the bounty of our Nation.**
- 2. The Thanksgiving holiday provides an opportunity to travel and be with loved ones. Thanksgiving is a time to enjoy the holiday festivities and traditional outdoor activities. Thanksgiving should be a joyous time of the year, and not marked with tragic accidents. We can enjoy all of the holiday mostly by taking care of ourselves, our families, and each other. Drive responsibly. Be prudent in outdoor activities. Manage your risks.**
- 3. Our Thanksgiving goal is to prevent the loss of a single member of the FORSCOM family in an accident. Each of you and your families are vital, and we must commit ourselves to protecting those who help assure our Nation's security.**
- 4. My family and I wish the best for you and yours this Thanksgiving holiday.**


DAN K. MCNEILL
General, USA
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